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SUBJECT: BUCKLEY AND KOCH ON TRADE AGREEMENT

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1. COPIES OF BUCKLEY RESOLUTION AND KOCH CONGRESSIONAL
RECORD INSERT POUCHED TODAY. TEXT OF BUCKLEY RESOLUTION
(S. RES. 511, AUGUST 5, 1976) FOLLOWS:

2. BEGIN TEXT: RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE ROMANIAN TRADE
AGREEMENT.

WHEREAS SECTION 402 OF THE TRADE REFORM ACT OF 1975
CLEARLY ESTABLISHES THE DEDICATION OF THE UNITED STATES
TO THE CAUSE OF FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS AS THE MAIN
PURPOSE OF THE TRADE REFORM ACT;

WHEREAS SUCH DEDICATION HAS BEEN RECENTLY RECONFIRMED BY
THE SIGNING OF THE HELSINKI DECLARATION ON COOPERATION AND
SECURITY IN EUROPE SIGNED ALSO BY THIRTY-THREE EUROPEAN
NATIONS AND CANADA;

WHEREAS CURTAILMENT OF THE FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS AND
CULTURAL FREEDOMS PERSISTS IN THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF
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ROMANIA WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS UPON THE NATIONAL MINORITIES,
ESPECIALLY IN THE FIELDS OF EDUCATION, PUBLIC USE OF
MINORITY LANGUAGES, AND RELIGIOUS LIBERTY; AND

WHEREAS SUCH DISCRIMINATION AND OPPRESSION IS REPUGNANT
TO THE OBSERVANCE OF FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS AND CULTURAL
FREEDOMS: BE IT THEREFORE

RESOLVED, THAT IT IS THE SENSE OF THE UNITED STATES
SENATE THAT BEFORE REQUESTING A REVIEW AND EXTENSION OF
THE 1975 UNITED STATES-ROMANIAN TRADE AGREEMENT NOW AND
IN THE FUTURE, THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL SUBMIT A FULL
REPORT TO CONGRESS ON FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS AND
CULTURAL FREEDOMS IN ROMANIA WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON
THE NATIONAL MINORITIES, SHOWING CONCRETE MEASURES TAKEN
TO AMELIORATE THEIR SITUATION BY THE ROMANIAN GOVERNMENT,
SUCH REPORT TO BE SUBMITTED TOGETHER WITH THE EXTENSION
REQUEST TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE OF THE UNITED STATES
SENATE; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT SHOULD NO AMELIORATIVE MEASURES
OCCUR, IT IS THE SENSE OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE
THAT THE 1975 UNITED STATES-ROMANIAN TRADE AGREEMENT
AND THE MOST-FAVORED-NATIONS TREATMENT OF THE SOCIALIST
REPUBLIC OF ROMANIA NOT BE EXTENDED. END TEXT KISSINGER

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